

**African Development Foundation
Request for Applications (RFA)
from local Development Organizations to serve as
ADF's Partner Organization in Tanzania**

The African Development Foundation (ADF), an independent agency of the United States Government, is seeking applications from organizations that have the expertise and experience to provide technical assistance and support to grassroots groups who are seeking or are recipients of funding from ADF.

The ADF program in Tanzania seeks to promote community-based economic activities that advance broad-scale, sustainable economic growth, help diversify Tanzania's economic base, and generate significant social benefits such as improved living standards and access to health care and education for marginalized and low-income communities.

The objectives of the country program are to:

- promote the development, effectiveness, and sustainability of indigenous community organizations, small enterprises, economic interest groups, and small-scale agricultural producer groups, including those involved in production of non-traditional exports; and
- increase the participation of small enterprises, economic interest groups, and agricultural producer groups in relationships with regional and international partners.

ADF will accomplish these objectives by providing funds to Tanzanian small enterprises and community-based groups, particularly those benefiting youth and women, to secure the technical, managerial, and marketing assistance they need to enhance their impact and sustainability. Funding criteria emphasize the following principles:

- community participation and ownership;
- significant economic and social impact on low-income communities; and
- impact commensurate with the level of investment, sustainability, and potential for replication of the activity.

Through this RFA, ADF seeks applications from not-for-profit organizations and for-profit firms that are willing to forgo profits that would be interested in partnering with ADF to strengthen their own capacity and have the core competency and experience needed to assist small enterprises and community-based economic interest groups in the design, implementation, monitoring, and evaluation of community-based enterprise development and expansion projects. Applicant organizations must have experience providing technical assistance, training, organizational management skills, marketing analysis and production and planning to indigenous groups to ensure that their projects are financially sustainable, benefit low-income communities, and meet performance targets.

ADF will award a one-year cooperative agreement grant, which may be renewed depending on performance during the initial year of the cooperative agreement. ADF does not award profit under assistance instruments. However, all reasonable, allocable, and allowable expenses, both direct and indirect, which are related to the cooperative agreement program and are in accordance with United States Government regulations may be paid under the cooperative agreement.

Beginning **July 16, 2012** an electronic copy of the **RFA may be obtained** by emailing an expression of interest which includes the requesting organization's corporate capability statement to TZAREQPARTNER@usadf.gov. Please submit your letter of interest and corporate capability statement to this email address by July 31, 2012 for consideration for inclusion in an informational workshop on ADF and our Tanzania Program to be held in mid-August. Additional information about ADF can be obtained from our website <http://www.adf.gov/>. The **submission deadline** is **Tuesday, September 4, 2012 at 16:00 hours Eastern Daylight Time** (2300 Tanzania time).